World Association of HPB Surgery

THIRD WORLD CONGRESS OF HPB SURGERY

London, U.K. 3–8 June 1990

The Third World Congress of HPB Surgery was held at Kensington Town Hall, London, from 3–8 June. There were about 850 participants from 60 different countries of the world. Proceedings were started by the Band of the Grenadier Guards at a Welcome Reception on the Sunday evening. There followed four and a half days of scientific programme, including some 200 free papers, 250 posters and 40 films or videos. Eight eminent experts delivered Keynote Addresses and another eight Update Lectures. A feature of the meeting was three interactive case presentations, in which the audience could vote on the management of a particular clinical case presented by a professor. There was a Government Reception on the Monday night at the Banqueting House, Whitehall and the Congress Banquet was held on the Wednesday night at The Brewery, City of London.

Dr Martin Adson (USA) completed his term of office as President of the World Association of HPB Surgery during the meeting, and the incoming President is Professor Niels van der Heyde (Netherlands). Other new Officers were elected as follows: President-Elect, S. Bengmark (Sweden); Vice-President, A.K.C. Li (Hong Kong); Treasurer, B. Langer (Canada); Secretary-General, R.C.N. Williamson (UK); Chairman of the Scientific Committee, H.A. Pitt (USA). These six Officers and the immediate Past President (Dr Adson) will now serve on the Executive Committee from 1990–92, together with seven Members-at-Large elected as follows: G. Gozzetti (Italy), E. Moreno-Gonzalez (Spain), K.E.F. Hobbs (UK), D. Houssin (France), B. Kekis (Greece), R. Strong (Australia), T. Tobe (Japan).

A new Scientific Committee was elected under the chairmanship of Dr Pitt as follows: I.S. Benjamin (UK), S.C.S. Cheung (Hong Kong), D. Franco (France), B.W. Jeppsson (Sweden), C-G Ker (Taiwan), W-Y. Lau (Hong Kong), J. Scheele (FRG), S. Strasberg (Canada), T. Suzuki (Japan), O. T. Terpstra (Netherlands), J. Toouli (Australia).

The Fourth World Congress of HPB Surgery will be held in Hong Kong in June 1992, with Professor Arthur Li as Chairman of the Local Organising Committee, and the Fifth World Congress in Boston, USA in 1994.

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